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RAILWAYS TO FIGHT.

Northern Pacific Makes an Aggressive Step in the North.

CONTEST WITH OREGON LINE BEGINS

Certificates of Location Filed at Olympia—Struggle for the Wheat District Will Cost Millions.

Tacoma (Wash.).—The greatest railroad fight ever known in the Norhwest has commenced between the Northern Pacific and the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company. The other day the Northern Pacific filed at Olympia certificates of location of eleven branch lines, having a mileage of 566 miles. These branch lines are to parallel the existing lines of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's lines through the wheat districts of Eastern Washington and Oregon and Western Idaho.

This action by the Northern Pacific has caused the greatest surprise in railroad circles. It was known that the fight between these rival lines over the occupation of terrritory in Idaho had become very bitter, but it was supposed that their differences would be adjusted in New York. The action by the Northern Pacific shows that it intends to fight to the bitter end at the cost of millions of dollars, unless the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company comes to its terms.

The certificates of location show the Northern Pacific's projected branches to be as follows: From Ainsworth, Wash., near Pasco, up Snake river, through Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield and Asotin counties to Lewiston, at the intersection of the Snake and Clearwater rivers. Length 135 miles. From some point in Idaho on Clearwater northwest to Pullman, thence west through Washtucna to Connell, on the Northern Pacific main line, with a branch to Colfax and Oakesdale, in Whitman county. Length, 140 miles. This line parallels one of the Oregon Railway and Navigation Company's main lines.

Seven branches, having an aggregate length of 161 miles, are to be built by the Washington and Columbia River Railway, which is a Northern Pacific branch line in Walla Walla and Columbia counties, Wash., and Umatilla county, Or. The length of these lines is respectively, thirty-five, sixteen, thirty-five, fifteen, sixteen, eighteen and twenty-six miles. They parallel branch wheat lines of the Oregon Railway and Navigation.

Other Oregon Railway and Navigation lines in Eastern Oregon are to be paralleled by 120 miles of road to be built through Umatilla county, Or., from Union, Or., to Walla Walla, with a branch line to Athens, Or. This line is to be constructed by the Summerville, Blue Mountian and Walla Walla Railway Company, which was incorporated at Olympia with a capital of $2,500,000. This company is an offshoot of the Northern Pacific, and will connect with the latter's Washington and Columbia River branch at Walla Walla.

It is estimated that the Northern Pacific can have these projected lines in operation within a year and a half. The weather is such in the interior that grading can be continued nearly the year round. For two weeks the Northern Pacific has been rushing surveyors and graders into the Snake river country, and orders have come to send more men at once.

NOT TO BE HANGED.

Reprieve for Lieutenant Wark—A Remarkable Criminal Case.

London.—Lieutenant Wark of the Royal Artillery, who was sentenced to death on the charge of murdering Miss Jane Yates of Liverpool, a girl of good family, by conspiring with her to procure an illegal operation which resulted in her death, has been reprieved.

The evidence in the case tended to show that the girl was solely responsible. She made a statement before she died exonerating Wark, who, after the jury had returned a verdict of guilty, protested his innocence in open court. Wark, who is an Irishman, is 46 years of age and married. He enlisted as a private about thirty years ago and rendered distinguished service in the Afghan war. He met Miss Yates while he was stationed at Liverpool. She was a pupil in a riding school there. The witnesses for the defense showed that Wark tried to persuade her not to undergo the operation, but on her insisting he promised to stand by her.

The scene in court when he protested his innocence was highly dramatic, and was followed by an extraordinary demonstration against the trial Judge when the latter left the courtroom. The newspapers took the matter up, declaring that, even if the verdict were legal, it would be an outrage to carry out the sentence, as Wark was evidently entirely innocnt of deliberate participation in the girl's crime.

Argentine Gold Loan Indorsed.

Buenos Ayres.—The financial committee named by the Chamber of Deputies has indorsed the plan to give the Government power to float a loan of 30,000,000 pesos in gold. The loan will be guaranteed by the alcoholic tax, and there will be no difficulty in floating it.

Samoan Tale From Germany.

London.—The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says: It is rumored here that the great powers concerned have agreed to the German occupation of the Samoan islands, beginning with Upola.

COAST ITEMS.

An expert report on the Philippines finances says there are $45,000,000 in circulation on a silver basis, and an export trade in '97 of $41,000,000.

Quicksilver exports from San Francisco for the first eleven months of '97 were 4913 flasks, worth $174,405; for the same period in '98, 5769 flasks, worth $211,582.

J. J. Hill, President Great Northern Railway, has bought the tax certificates on the old Union Pacific road between Tacoma and Portland. Prior to '93 the Union Pacific spent $2,000,000 in this line and the abandoned work and property has been since held for taxes.

Eastern papers say that "the longest telephone communication successfully established in the world" is now in operation between Boston, Mass., and Little Rock, Ark., 1900 miles. Similar facilities have for some months been established between San Diego, Cal., and Boise, Idaho, 2300 miles.

Consul Williams writes from Manila that during the three months ended September 30, 1898, the value of the declared exports from that consular district to the United States were: Hemp, 4000 bales, $57,503.35; hats, 19,803, at 20 cents, $3960.60; cigars, 34 cases, $1329.92; grass cloth, $156-.41; total, $62,950.27.

There was about $3,500,000 in the Spokane, Wash., banks last week, and the bankers did not know what to do with it. There has not been a bank statement for two months, but when the last was made the banks were carrying about 65 per cent. Soon, by reason of the Le Roi sale, about $4,-000,000 more money will be thrown into the Spokane banks.

At Topeka, Kansas, on the 8th inst., the board of directors of the Santa Fe Railway Co. made formal approval of the purchase of the San Joaquin Valley line, by which the Santa Fe will run trains into San Francisco. The chairman of the board said that the war had opened greater possibilities for the West, and that San Francisco will be a much more important point to the road than it has ever been.

The town of Republic, Wash., claims to be the banner town in the United States for sending registered matter through the mails. Up to Nov. 11, in the present quarter, there were 350 registrations. For the same period one city with 110,000 population had only 45 to its credit. So great has been the registration that the postoffice authorities upon one occasion sent a letter of inquiry, thinking an error on the part of the postmaster had been made. The figures astonished the department.

The new executive committee of the California State Miners' Association met recently in San Francisco. The Secretary was authorized to expend $200 in furnishing an office. It was decided not to have the Association headquarters in the new ferry building. It was ordered that county associations that have failed to pay the required 75 per cent to the State Association be immediately called upon for such amount. A motion was carried that the coming State Legislature be asked to set apart one-third of its Paris Exposition appropriation for the purpose of a mineral exhibit there.

A tariff for shipments over the Siberian Railroad as far as Irkutsk has been published. Irkutsh is the great trade center of Siberia and the western terminus of the Chinese caravans over the desert, which have for ages brought a large part of the tea consumed in Russia. The new tariff on tea from Irkutsk to Moscow is 2 1-3 rubles per pood, with a separate charge of 3 kopeks per pood for crossing the Yenissei and 2 kopeks for crossing the Oka—great rivers where the bridges are not yet completed. This is at the rate of $3.30 per 100 pounds. The rate on high class freight in the other direction is about the same. The distance from Moscow to Irkutsk is about 3400 miles.

The total value of the imports in Apia, Samoa, in 1897, according to the American consul-general, was $329,630, of which nearly half ($157,-695) was from the Australian colonies. The United States sent goods to the value of $53,415. The exports amounted to $239,198, of which $125,-380 went to Europe, $54,305 to the United States, $51,473 to Australasia, $14,223 to Hawaii, etc. Of copra (native product) 10,691,520 pounds were exported from Samoa. The consul-general adds that a large percentage of the goods from Australia are of American origin. It is stated that all goods originating east of California are sent to the Atlantic seaboard, thence to Sydney to Apia, and are delivered there cheaper than they can be obtained directly from San Francisco.

At Phœnix, Arizona, it is estimated that enough water is wasted from Salt river each winter to irrigate 1,000,000 acres in the Salt river valley. It is purposed to store these winter floods, to be drawn from as needed during the summer months, by constructing a reservoir in the mountains sixty miles northeast of Phœnix. The U. S. Government has granted the Hudson Reservoir & Canal Company the Tonto basin, to be used as a storage reservoir. It proposes to build a dam at the head of the canyon where the river emerges from the basin, creating a lake eighteen square miles to a depth of 100 to 200 feet. It will be necessary to build a dam 200 feet high and some 600 feet in length at the top, although the canyon is only 200 feet wide for the first 100 feet from the bottom. The Territory of Arizona has granted the company the use of the channel of the Salt river to convey the water to the valley below. To construct this storage reservoir, the largest in the world, will cost about $2,500,-000.

NEW PLAN FOR CANAL.

Scheme for United States to Build Nicaragua Waterway.

CAFFERY PREPARING A SUBSTITUTE.

Resolution Introduced in the Senate Proposing a Change in the Clayton-Bulwer Treaty.

Washington.—Having taken the first step toward clearing the way for the United States to build and conrtol the Nicaragua canal and avoid complications with Great Britain, Senator Caffery is now preparing a substitute for the Morgan bill. Under the terms of the susbtitute, which will be introduced next week, the United States will open negotiations with Nicaragua and Costa Rica to acquire the strip of ground lying in Nicaraguan territory and proposed to be ceded under the Frelinghuysen treaty.

Sentaor Caffery offered a resolution providing for negotiations with Great Britain for the abrogation of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. It is purposed to do dipomatically what the ultra-radical friends of the waterway would do by ignoringthe provisions of the treaty. The Administration had no such purpose, however. This was clearly conveyed to the British Embassador by Secretary of State Hay. Sir Julian Pauncefote was assured by the Secretary that as soon as Congress authorized the construction of the waterway this Government would open negotiations with Great Britain for an agreeable settlement of the terms upon which the canal should be built and operated under the Clayton-Bulwer treaty. The United States might refrain from fortifying the canal, or it might be maintained with neutrality, or Great Britain might enjoy equal advantages.

The substitute bill of Senator Caffery will provide that after the United States shall have acquired from Nicaragua the strip of land mentioned, the work of construction of the canal shall be undertaken by the Secretary of War after the methods pursued in the construction of public works in the United States. No bonds are to be issued, but $100,000,000 is appropriated from the Treasury of the United States. As it is estimatd that the time occupied in constructing the canal will be five or six years, not more than $20,000,000 would be appropriated from the Treasury in any one year. Senator Caffery's plan will be opposed by the Maritime Canal Company interest, but it will obviate any question of the Government's authority to guarantee the bonds of a private corporation.

That the majority of both houses favor the construction of the inter-ocean canal by the United States is beyond doubt. There will be much division of opinion as to the methods, however, which may prove so irreconcilable as to postpone indefinitely the passage of the canal bill.

A SERIES OF LETTERS.

General Henry, Military Governor of Porto Rico, Explains His Policy.

San Juan de Porto Rico.—General Guy V. Henry, Military Governor of the Island of Porto Rico, in a series of letters to the council gives details of the policy which the Mayors are urged to maintain in the interest of public health and order. He points out that the responsibilities have increased with the increase of their field of action.

No person is to be imprisoned without specific charges being preferred; all persons now in prison without such charges against them are to be freed; customs duties and money values must be regulated by the United States Congress, but the towns are to be improved by the adoption of American standards, with a view of educating the people in patriotism and self-reliance; resort to military power is to be had only when absolutely necessary and soldiers who do not respect the civil authorities are to be severely dealt with.

Generall Henry appeals to Porto Ricans to smother their political differences and to unite in behalf of their country. In a second letter the Military Governor says:

"I am anxious to have the people feel that they can be directly represented here for the purpose of complaints, grievances and recommendations. I therefore instruct the council to inform the Mayors that they may send here on or before December 19th two delegates from each Mayoralty, one Liberal and one Radical, to be chosen by the respective Municipal Councils. I shall listen to the voice of the people through these delegates, and shall examine and consider what they lay before me."

These letters are to be generally published, and a copy of the second is being sent to all post commanders, who will report as to cases where proper delegates are not sent.

It being evident that the civil courts cannot or will not act with sufficient promptness against bandits, firebugs and murderers—there not yet having been a single conviction for either of these offenses, though many have been committed—an immediate example is necessary, and General Henry has appointed a military commission to try cases of this character. His activity in these various directions is universally commended.

More Taxes for the Japs.

Yokohama.—The Government has introduced in the Diet a bill providing for increasing the land tax by 14,000,-000 yen toward an estimated budget deficiency of 30,000,000 yen. The remainder of the amount required will be raised by other taxation. It is believed those proposals will lead to a rupture of the understanding between the Cabinet and the Liberals.

CHANGE IN WAR TAXES.

Amendments to the Law Urged by Revenue Commissioner.

Washington.—Chairman Dingley of the Ways and Means Committee has received a communication from the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, N. B. Scott, recommending a number of amendments to the act of June 13, 1898, known as the war revenue act. The recommendations cover changes of an administrative character under schedules A and B, also for the monthly payment of excise taxes by sugar refineries and of a penalty for failing to stamp parlor-car tickets. Further provisions are suggested as to the examination by internal revenue officers of articles subject to internal revenue taxes.

Commissioner Scott advises that the clauses providing for the stamping of telegraphic dispatches and receipts or bills of lading for freight and express packages be so amended as to make it definite and certain who shall affix and pay for the stamp.

The clause imposing a tax on commercial brokers the Commissioner regards as a discrimination against such brokers, and he recommends that it be repealed or amended so as to include produce and merchandise commission merchants, auctioneers and real estate agents and brokers.

The removal of the stamp tax on mortgages is recommended inasmuch as there is a stamp tax on promissory notes, and the taxing of mortgages given to secure such notes results in double taxation, falling on the debtor class.

The Commissioner also urges that if brokers pay the special tax required under the law they should be relieved of the stamp tax under the head of "contracts," which is a tax on all notes or memorandums of sale by brokers.

The paragraph imposing a tax of 10 cents on "certificates of any description required by law" has occasioned more difficulty in its construction and application than any other provision in schedule A, the Commissioner says, and, owing to the uncertainty as to what certificates are taxable, he recommends the repeal of the paragraph.

Commissioner Scott also recommends numerous changes in other schedules and many modifications of the administrative features of the act.

COLLEGE MEN IN THE ARMY.

Advantages of Military Training in the Schools are Plainly Shown.

Washington.—The annual report of the Inspector-General of the Army, which has just been made public, raises highly the conduct of the war. He emphasizes strongly the need of periodical military maneuvers and experimental mobilization to insure the health and safety of the troops in actual service. If this is omitted, he declares, the most lavish expenditure, with the best intentions and most untiring energy as a substitute for practical skill, is but a poor makeshift.

One of the most interesting features of the report is that upon military colleges. Except for the interruption of military instruction by the withdrawal of regular Army instructors during the war, 15,000 students are being annually trained in practical and theoretical military service in private and public schools and colleges. The presidents of forty-six of these colleges, whose military departments numbered 7100 students, reported that twenty-nine of their regular students and fifty-nine alumni had been commissioned in the regular Army, and 157 students and 296 alumni in the volunteer army, a total of 541 officers, or enough for about twelve regiments. Further, 1084 students and ex-students joined the Army as non-commissioned officers or privates. Accepting these statistics as a fair average, it would appear, says the report, that the regular and volunteer armies secured from the students annually instructed by regular Army officers at the various colleges enough officers for twenty-four regiments.

In conclusion on this subject the Inspector-General says that some substantial recognition should be accorded the students who spend a large part of their school life in military study, and he recommends the selection of some of the best of these students for appointment annually in the Army. Such a policy, he says, would benefit both the students, the colleges and the Government.

New Pension Bills Introduced.

Washington.—Some interesting history is attached to two bills recently introduced in the House by Underwood for General Wheeler. The bills are to grant pensions to Mrs. Margaret B. Shipp, who was killed at the battle of San Juan hill, and of Mrs. Louisa D. Smith, widow of Lieutenant William H. Smith who was killed at the same place. There was a remarkable similarity in the history of these two soldiers. They studied together at West Point, graduated together, and, after leaving the academy, both rose to the rank of Lieutenant. They met their deaths in the same battle within fifteen minutes of each other, and finally, the bills to pension their wives were introduced in Congress simultaneously.

Lookout Point Secured.

Washington. — The Government, through the Chickamauga Park Commission, has secured the deeds to sixteen acres on Lookout point, the highest point in the Chickamauga region, and overlooking seven states and all the battle-fields adjacent to the park.

During the siege of Chickamauga this point was an important Confederate position, occupied by a battery. The Park Commissioners will at once replace the battery in the position it occupied during the war and will erect historical tablets at important points. It will be left to the several states whose troops were engaged at this point to erect monuments and memorial tablets.

FOR THE FARMERS.

Some Interesting News for the Ruralist

SPOKEN OF IN THIS COLUMN.

A Few Sensible Hints to Suit the Busy Agriculturist.—Items That May Benefit our Readers.

A Farmer's Ice-House.

To erect a building 12 by 12 feet, 10 feet in height, not including the roof, select a location somewhat sheltered from the direct rays of the sun. Build a strong stone foundation wall perfectly level for the sills to rest upon. The inside of the wall must be solidly banked around with earth. The sills are 6 by 8 in. strongly framed together. They may be either of sawed lumber or of timbers flattened upon two sides.

The floor joists are 4 by 8 inches. A strong support should be placed under the center of each joist. The studding are 2 by 11 inches placed in edgewise, thus forming an inside space of 11 in. for sawdust. The outside is of boards, nailed to the studding crosswise instead of up and down. The flooring is 2 inch boards. Use 12 feet 2-inch boards for roof plates. These should be placed across the tops of the studding and strongly spiked to them. Rafters are of 2 by 4 inch material, spiked to the plates. The roof has a slope of 45 degrees and a ventilator 2 by 3 feet. The inside boards should be nailed to the studding crosswise. Fill the 11 inch space with sawdust when boarding it up. Place the door, which is 26 inches wide, upon the north side and let it extend from the bottom to the top of the building. This long door is to be divided into three separate doors, thus making it more convenient for putting in and taking out ice.

To fill with ice, first put 12 inches of sawdust on the floor, allowing a space of 6 inches around the outside of the ice and next to the inside boarding for sawdust. There will then be remaining 9 by 9 feet of space for the ice. The ice should be raked out into cases of 3 feet by 1 foot before sawing. This will fill the space intended for it. In placing the cakes in position, put one layer lengthwise, the next crosswise, being particular to have the ice as level as possible.

It is also very necessary for the successful preservation of the ice that no crevices or holes remain unfilled. To prevent this have ready a pail of thick snow water. If there is no show, use finely cracked ice, also in water. With this fill all cracks, holes or rough places, so that the cakes of ice will fit smoothly and compactly together. By thus increasing its solidity it will keep much better than when packed in the usual way. When filled, put 20 in. or more sawdust on the top all over. An ice-house built and filled in this manner has now in it 4 feet of solid ice of last year's filling, which will remain undisturbd when the house is again filled.

Sawdust for Smudge Firing.

It is the season for protection against frost, and though smudging has something of a bad name because it does not act through as many degrees of low temperature as some would like, it is still an effective method of avoiding frost injuries within certain limits. For this reason discussion of smoking materials is interesting, and the observations which Mr. T. M. Richards of Poca Ratom, Florida, writes to Mr. J. E. Ingraham, land commissioner of the East Coast Railway, may prove of benefit to fruit growers on this coast. He describes the plan commonly in use, and very successfully so, in parts of Carolina and Virginia as follows: In the fall, some weeks before the danger of cold, one should secure a supply of pine sawdust from the mills. Around each field of not more than four acres' area (and two acres is better) the sawdust should be deposited in conical piles, 40 feet apart and two bushels of sawdust in each heap. These heaps should be placed all the way around each lot, as the wind may shift to any quarter. When the thermometer shows danger of frost, at three o'clock in the morning let men take cans of common kerosene and go to each alternative heap, make a little opening in the top of it, pour in one or two tablespoonfuls of kerosene and set it on fire. It will not blaze much, but by giving a little time for the oil to spread before firing the sawdust will smoulder and burn slowly until it is all consumed, all the while sending forth volumes of thick smoke, which will protect the plants from the direct rays of the sun, and prevent them from scalding until the frost is slowly drawn out.

In many instances it has been demonstrated that the sun was responsible for the damage done after freezing. Wherever there was shade through the forenoon no plants were injured. This is also the case among the orange groves. This plan has proved extremely successful where tried. It is very cheap protection and does not require much work. In our pineries, laid off as they are in beds, the small heaps of sawdust could be placed at the corner of each bed and one series out of four or five burned at a time, leaving a supply by alternating fires for the next nip.

Read the Agricultural Journals.

I see many of my farmer friends in this community who do not read agricultural publications, while they devoured omnivorously all political or war news, while this country was involved in the recent war. They do not seem to think of any good that can result from the discussion of farm topics through the press. To me this is an evident indication that they are neglecting their true interests, to a great extent, only to gratify a prejudiced feeling. The farmer who studies the best methods of farm work, the growing of farm products, stock raising and the markets, will certainly want to know the experiences of others along these lines, and there is no better source of information than the columns of the journals devoted to agricultural and kindred pursuits.

Some are opposed to the introduction of new methods, and seem to regard such an attempt as almost a sacrilege, while they adhere strictly to the old-fogy methods of the past. This state of affairs is especially true in the rural districts. The remark is often heard that what was good enough for our fathers is good enough for us, and so there are yet to be found those who thresh their grain with a flail and carry it to the mill on an ox with the ancient "pack saddle" upon his back.

Farmers, I ask you to study more closely all subjects connected with the farm; become interested in the best methods of culture and stock raising; take two or three good agricultural papers, and see what others of your trade are doing. They will tell you of their experiences, and offer suggestions that will be helpful. Your living must come from the farm, and not from politics or the war. I do not ask you to ignore or even neglect these questions, but always hold them as of secondary importance while your livelihood must be derived from the farm.—Frank Monroe Beverly in Agricultural Epitomist.

Notes From the Agricultural College Dairy.

The college dairy has just tested a sample of skim-milk from a family in town, that pet one cow for family use. The extra milk was set in crocks and skimmed when a thick layer of cream formed on top. As there was but a small quantity of cream, it was churned with an egg-beater. The Babcock test showed the skim-milk to contain 1 per cent butter fat, equal to a loss of 1.17 pounds of butter for every 100 pounds skim-milk, and the butter-milk 5.7 per cent butter fat, equal to a loss of 6.7 pounds of butter fat for every 100 pounds buttermilk.

Mr. J. A. Conover, special student in dairying, also secured samples of skim-milk and butter-milk from a family in town, and found a still greater loss in the skim-milk, but less in the butter-milk, the skim-milk showing 1.2 per cent and the butter milk 1.3 per cent. This makes a loss of 1.41 pounds butter for every 100 pounds skim-milk and 1.52 pounds butter for every 100 pounds butter-milk.

These figures do not show any great loss to the families mentioned, because the total weight of skim-milk and butter-milk is so small, but they are of interest in that they show the immense loss that would occur where such practices are followed on a large scale. In creameries the loss in skim-milk is usually reduced to a mere trace and in the butter-milk to .1 or .2 of 1 per cent.

Poultry Pointers.

There is little that is reliable in the way of experiments in breeding and feeding poultry. It seems a pity that extensive investigations have not been carried on at experiment stations.

The poultryman has more breeds to choose from than has the horse or cattle breder in order to suit his special needs.

I have often been called to breeders' houses to see what was the matter with the chickens, and found that the trouble was caused by lice.

I feed dry, not sloppy, food. Everything is kept clean. Cups and dishes are cleaned every day. Frequent changes of food are made.

The White Wyandotte cannot be beaten for a general purpose fowl.

A fowl very much out of sorts is about as profitable without its head.

If your market calls for a certain thing, you must furnish it, if you would have a profitable business.

Covering for Wounds.

In pruning fruit trees, the untreated wounds often heal quite as well as those that are treated with some covering, but this is done at the expense of checking the growth and vigor of the tree or plant. This point seems to have become well established. Our own experience quite agrees with that of Prof. Card at the Nebraska station (Bulletin 50), who says: "Taking, all things together, nothing seems to be better for covering the wounds made in pruning than common lead-paint, which is closely followed by grafting wax. The wax is superior to paint in the matter of healing, but does not last as well and is not so convenient to apply, although in warm weather, when it works well, there is little trouble in this regard. Coal tar is useful in preventing the wood from checking, but appears to be a positive hindrance to healing, so that, in spite of the fact that it stays well, there is little to recommend it. Pine tar is no aid to healing, being apparently a trifle detrimental, while it helps only slightly in the matter of checking and does not last well, therefore it has nothing to recommend it. Shellac is a failure. It does not last and neither aids the wound in healing nor to any appreciable extent prevents it from checking."

Farm Notes.

The brood sow should have strong, tough bones.

Market all stock now as soon as properly finished to sell well.

It is well to be thoroughly prepared for cold storms at this season.

Do not allow the teams to stand over night with muddy feet and legs.

Warm quarters are cheaper than feed in maintaining animal heat in winter.

By providing plenty of feed troughs and racks a considerable saving of feed may be made.

BIGOTRY SUPPRESSED.

Opposition to Christian Science Aroused in England.

IRRITATION CAUSED BY THE FOLLY.

The Teachings Are Merely a Revival of the Babylonian Beliefs of Three Thousand Years Ago.

New York.—A Sun cable from London says: Popular irritation over the folly and bigotry which are sacrificing valuable lives in the name of so-called Christian science, is becoming very strong in this country. The fad is a new growth in England, and its votaries are few compared with the number of followers which it gained in America when the craze was at its height ten or twelve years ago. Christian science differ scarcely at all in its principles and teachings from the doctrines of "the peculiar people," a much humbler class of faith-curists, whose representatives frequently figure in English police courts upon complaints of societies for the protection of children from cruelty. These ignorant faddists are often punished by fine or imprisonment for neglecting to provide proper medical care for their children or others dependent upon them in case of illness.

Now that Christian science is gaining a foothold among persons presumably of a higher grade of intelligence, and is carrying the dangers of the possession of a little knowledge to the point of technical manslaughter, society is naturally becoming exasperated and is demanding a stern legal repression of the mischief. Hence it is that the death of Harold Frederic has developed into a test case against the leaders of the movement.

Meantime an English investigator has discovered that so-called Christian science does not even possess the first merit claimed for it, namely, an origin in the teachings of Christ, in the New Testament. Christian science of today is, in fact, merely a revival of the Babylonian medical beliefs of 3000 years ago. The only change of importance is that, naturally, God and Christ have been substituted for the ancient gods or spirits. The Babylonians of 3000 years ago had a very common and widespread belief that nature was a realm under the sway of two camps of spirits, one benevolent, the other malevolent. According as one or the other prevailed, the Babylonian was well or ill.

Regulars for Manila.

New York.—A Sun special from Washington says: By direction of the Secretary of War, the Adjutant-General of the Army is preparing an order assigning six regiments of the regular infantry to take action in the Philippines. The provisionalist has been prepared at the War Department, which includes the Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Twelfth, Seventeenth, Twentieth and Twenty-fourth regiments. Two of these regiments will not be sent.

When the regiments designated reach Manila six regiments of volunteers will be ordered to return to the United States for muster-out. The selection of these will be left to Major-General Otis. If a sufficient number of transports cannot be secured on the Pacific Coast some of the six regular regiments will be transported from Atlantic Coast ports by way of the Mediterranean and Suez canal.

Comment in London.

London.—The Times, dealing editorially with the "evidences of strong opposition to the annexation policy in the United States" and the rumors that Amreica will resell the Philippines, says: "Despite all this we believe that the Far Eastern interests of the United States and England will be brought into line, and will be jointly safeguarded by a combination so strong and imposing that no other power nor powers could venture to defy it."

The Times thinks the advocacy by some American papers of the joint construction of the Nicaragua canal is significant evidence of the dominance of this feeling, and adds: "Whether or not such a co-dominion would be entirely free from objections we hesitate to say, but that it was suggested is a substantial proof of friendly feeling."

Climbed Mount Aconcagua.

London.—The Daily Chronicle publishes a cable message from Sir Martin Conway, tne celebrated explorer, now in Mendosa, Argentine Republic, asserting that he has climbed to the summit of Mount Aconcagua, a peak of the Andes in Chile, and intends to attempt the ascent of Mount Sarmiento, a remarkable mountain in Tierra del Fuego.

Mount Aconcagua is a peak in the Andes in Chile having an altitude of 22,422 feet, the greatest on the American continent. It was formerly believed to be a volcano but recent travelers say it presents no signs of volcanic origin.

Pottery Option Extended.

Trenton (N. J.)—The option secured by a syndicate of capitalists on a large number of general ware potteries in the United States, notably those of East Liverpool and Trenton, has been extended to April 1. Trenton manufacturers are confident the syndicate will succeed and expect the deal to be closed within a few weeks. It is intimated that the absorption may also include the sanitary potteries now being operated by the Trenton pottery syndicate.

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WITH the signing of the treaty of peace Uncle Sam stands at peace with the entire world and will at once begin to carry out his portion of the agreement. This historical document was signed at Paris last Saturday evening and was undobtedly a solemn event for the Spanish commissioners as they had for some time seen the fate of their beloved couniry. The treaty as signed consists of seventeen articles. It having been found advisable to subdivide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting. The Commissioners of the too nations wrote their signatures on too copies of the treaiy, one copy being for the archives. The document was prepared by Secretary Moore in behalf of the United States Commission and by Senor Villaurutia for Spain, on account of the continued illness of Secretary Ojeda of the Spanish Commission. Each copy contains the English and Spanish texts of the treaty in parallel columns. The wording has been approved previously by the commissions without a joint meeting, so there was no controversy on the subject.

IF a conviction is reached in the Botkin case now on trial in San Francisco. California will have done something to retrieve the reproach which has been brought upon her fair name of allowing too many criminals to go free. It is bringing matters to a pretty fine point for a woman to die from the effects of poison receivee anonymously through the mail and for a woman to be arrested on the other side of the continent and convicted of murder.

WE are in receipt of the Signs of the Times, a religious journal published weekly at Oakland, which has just entered upon its twenty-sixth year. In celebrating its birthday it was issued a thirty-six page edition and descriptivly rehearsed some of the principal events of its age. This paper claims to have a larger circulation than that of any other paper of its kind. Success to you brethren, and may your efforts not prove in vain.

FROM reports of the work being done and that planned for the future by Santa Rosa's Christian Young people's societies, they are wide awake and will prove a great benefit to the community. They have purchased an organ to be used at the hospital which is a grand thing as a few strains of a famil'ar tune will often do more to relieve the sick than medicine.

WITH the death of General Garcia, the Cuban patriot, which occurred at Washington, the people of that famous little island lose their gallant leader just as he is about to see them set free. The career of the general has been a rough one and he has ever been faithful to Cuba and he people.

FINDLEY, the absconding tax collector of San Luis Obispo county, evidently didn't wish to cause the people of that county unnecessary trouble to have new keys made for that office, so returned the old ones. Kind, wasn't he? The package containing the keys was sent from Juarez, Mexico.

Shooting Notices.

We have a lot of notices to hunters printed on cloth which we are selling quite reasonable.

The Feeble Minded Go to Glen Ellen.

The State lunacy board has decided to remove all the feeble minded persons who are now confined in the different asylums and hospitals throughout the state to the Home at Glen Ellen.

At its last session the legislature passed a bill permitting all the feeble minded persons to be confined at the Home. Prior to that time only children were taken there, adults being sent to the insane asylums for treatment. Secretary Correr, of the lunacy board went up to Glen Ellen Thursday to superintend the transfer which was being made on that day.

Several members of the commission on lunacy and of the state board of prison directors met in the rooms of the former Tuesday and discussed the proposed plan of recommending to the legislature the passage of a bill providing for the construction at Folsom prison of a ward for the criminal insane. It was agreed that the ward ought to be of sufficient size to accommodate at least 200 persons.

GLEN ELLEN GLEANINGS.

M. F. Twiley, the village smith, has felt somewhat indisposed the past week.

Indications point strongly toward rain. We hope it may be so.

George Hendley, a volunteer, who for some time has encamped at the Presidio, is visiting his brother, John M. Hendley.

Judge Gibson left for Santa Rosa last Tuesday on legal business.

The dance at Mervyn Hotel last Saturday evening was largely attended and much enjoyed.

The Lynn family will give an entertainment at the Mervyn Hotel next Saturday.

The trustees of the school district will make some needed improvements on the school building before the beginning of next term.

Ed. Ferguson, foreman of the S. P. Company, was taken ill last week and is now under treatment at the hospital in Oakland. We hope he may soon recover.

C. Hertzog is the proud father of a bouncing baby girl which arrived last Thursday. Mother and daughter are getting along nicely.

Mrs. R. B. McCord, who has been quite ill for the past three weeks has entirely recovered.

IN THE COURTS.

DEP'T ONE-DOUGHERTY, JUDGE

Estate of Elanor Walder—Sale of real estate confirmed.

Estate of Catharine Breen—Hugh Breen appointed administrator; bond $1800.

Estate of George J. Matthews—annual account settled.

Estate of Thos. Kyle—Finel account settled, distribution submitted.

Estate of John E. Warner—Final account settled, distribution ordered.

Estate and guardianship of Willit Hopkins, et al—Sale of real estate confirmed.

Defendants demurrers in the three damage suits of Thos. Spottiswood, J. T. Barriros, and Pietro Peppini against the Sonoma Lumber Company were sustained.

The case of Emily A. Hort vs Clemens Gardiner et al went over one week.

The case of J. W. Swank was submitted and taken under advisement.

The insolvency matter of the late W. C. Hill went over to Dec. 19.

Fannie Villain vs. Helen Mesple, continued one week.

DEPARTMENT TWO—BURNETT JUDGE

The case of Weilbye vs. Duhring was continued to December 19.

The case of John Mills vs. R. M. Quackenbush was set for trial on December 28.

Mary Mastrup was given a divorce from Andrew Mastrup and was given the custody of the children with $15 per month alimony.

In the action of Bennett & Schulte vs. J. W. Clark, plaintiff was permitted to withdraw exhibits.

Big Sale of Wine.

On Saturday the four largest wineries in the vicinity of Cloverdale sold 365,000 gallons of wine. The purchasers were the Italian Swiss Colony, Shilling and the California Wine Association, equal shares. The price was 11 cents and 12½ cents delivered on board the cars at the depot. This leaves about 175,000 gallons yet on hand among the other cellars in that section. The cellars sold out were those of P. Smith, 70,000 gallons; M. G. Furber, 80,000; Leroux Bros., 40,000; and the Cloverdale Wine Company, 175,000.—*Republican.*

Our public schools will close next Friday for the holiday vacation.

THE GAME LAW.

Sonhma County's Game to be protected.

The County game ordinance which has been causing a great deal of talk lately, was passsd by the supervisors at their afternoon meeting last Saturday. By its passage the quail and deer seasons are shortened; The killing of Chinese and Japanese pheasant is prohibited for five years. It will also be a violation of law to ship game out of the county. For the benefit of sportsmen and all others interested, the sections of the ordinance are printed in full below:

Section 1. Any person or persons who, at any time or during any season in the county of Sonoma, shall hunt, pursue, take, kill or destroy or have in his possession for the purpose of sale or shipment for sale or profit to any party or parties outside of said county of Sonoma, or who, (being then in or a resident of said county) at any time or during any season, shall sell or offer for sale to any party or parties outside of said county, any valley quail. bob white, partridge or any kind of wild duck or rail, mountain quail, grouse, dove or doves, deer, antelope elk or mountain sheep, the same having been killed or captured in the county of Sonoma, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction for violation of this section shall be fined in a sum of not less than twenty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail of Sonoma county for a period not less than ten days nor more than one hundred and fifty days, or be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 2: Every person who shall kill, trap, take or in any way destroy any Chinese or Japanese pheasants within the county of Sonoma for a period of five years from the enactment of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction for violation of this section shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not less than ten days nor more than one hundred and fifty days, or be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 3: Every person who, in the County of Sonoma, state of California, between the first day of February and the first day of November in each year, shall hunt, pursue, take, kill or destroy or have in his possession any valley quail, bob white or partridge shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction for violation of this section shall be fined in a sum not less than twenty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or be imprisoned in the county jail not less than ten days nor more than one hundred and fifty days or be punished by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 4. Every person who shall hunt, pursue, take, kill or have in his posession, or destroy any male deer between the first day of October and the fifteenth day of July of the following year shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction therof shall be fined in a sum of not less than twenty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail of not less than ten days nor more than one hundred and fifty days, or both such fine and imprisonment.

Sec. 5. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after the first day of January, 1899, and shall be published together with the names of the members of the board of supervisors voting for and against the same for a period of one week in a newspaper printed and published in the county of Sonoma. The five members of the board voted aye.

The Heaviest Thing in the World.

The heaviest thing in the world is the metal osmium, the bluish white metal with violet luster which Mr. Smithson Tennant discovered 90 years ago in the residue from dissolved platinum ores. This metal has a specific gravity of 22.477; that of gold being 19.265; lead, 11.367; iron, 7.79, and lithium, the lightest, only 0.594.

The French chemist, Joly, determined that osmium is likewise the most infusible of metals. It could never be made to yield to the oxyhydrogen flame which makes platinum and irridium run like water, but Joly has been subjecting osmium to the exclusively high temperature of the electric arc which Moissan has of late employed successfully in the manufacture of diamonds.

Under this fierce heat the rare metal, ruthenium, which used to be deemed all but infusible, readily melts, but osmium remains refractory, there being apparently only the faintest traces of fusion. On this account osmium cannot be prepared in sufficient quantities to make it very useful in the arts, but its alloy with irridium, which defies the acids, is of some value, nothing better having been found wherewith to tip gold pens. Being nonmagnetic, its employment for the bearings of the mariner's compass has been advocated.—Popular Science Monthly.

A Unique Collection.

A Philadelphia man owns a most unique assortment of pieces of blotting paper, collected by his father, who was long an official of the White House, each of which bears, reversed, the signature of a president from General Harrison, who died a month after his election in 1841, to Garfield. On one sheet, the most highly prized of the lot, the last official letter signed by President Lincoln was blotted before he was assassinated by Booth.

ODDITIES IN WILLS.

SOME PECULIAR BEQUESTS AND CURIOUS CONDITIONS.

A Patriotic American's Desire to Be Heard After Death—Wills Which Proved That In the Cases of Their Makers Marriage Was a Failure.

The admiration of our American cousins for their country is a prominent characteristic of their daily life, and some years ago a Mr. Sanborn desired that in death as in life his body should proclaim the glory of the republic. He left £1,000 to the late Professor Agassiz, in return for which he was, by an extremely scientific process set forth in the will to tan his (Sanborn's) skin into leather and from it have a drum made. Two of the most suitable bones of his body were to be made into drumsticks, and with these a Mr. Warren Simpson—to whom Sanborn left the remainder of his property—was "on every 17th of June to repair to the foot of Bunker hill and at sunrise beat on the drum, the parchment of which had been made out of the testator's skin, the spirit stirring strains of 'Yankee Doodle.'"

A somewhat similar bequest was made by a German in 1887. He died in Pittsburg and by his will directed that his body should be cremated and the ashes forwarded to the German consul at New York, who was to deliver them to the captain of the steamship Elba. When in midocean, the captain was to request a passenger to dress himself in nautical costume, and, ascending with the funeral urn to the topmast, to scatter the ashes to the four winds of heaven. These strange directions were faithfully carried out.

Quite as peculiar were the directions for the funeral of a Mr. John Underwood. He willed that he was to be buried in a green coffin with a copy of Horace under his head and of Milton under his feet, a Greek testament in his right hand and a small Horace in his left. Six friends, who were not to wear mourning, were to follow him to the grave and there to sing a verse of the twentieth ode of the second book of Horace. After this they were to "take a cheerful glass and think no more of John Underwood."

Wills may also be admitted as evidence of the mixed blessings of the matrimonial state. A nobleman wrote, "I give and bequeath to the worst of women, whom I unfortunately married, 45 brass halfpence, which will buy her a pullet for supper."

A Glasgow doctor, dying some ten years ago, left the whole of his estate to his two sisters, and then came this extraordinary clause: "To my wife, as a recompense for deserting me and leaving me in peace, I expect the said sister Elizabeth to make her a gift of 10 shillings sterling, to buy her a pocket handkerchief to weep in after my decease."

A Mr. Sydney Dickenson bequeathed to his wife the sum of £60,000, "on condition that she undertakes to pass two hours a day at my graveside, for the ten years following my decease, in company with her sister, whom I have reason to know she loathes worse than she does me."

Another husband stated that he would have left his widow £10,000 if she had allowed him to read his newspaper in peace, but as she always commenced playing and singing when he started to read he left her only £1,000. Such instances could be mutiplied indefinitely, but one other is worthy of note.

A husband left his wife £12,000, to be increased to £24,000 provided that she wore a widow's cap after his death. She accepted the larger amount, wore the cap for six months, and then put it off. A lawsuit followed, but the judge held that the testator should have inserted the word "always" and gave judgment in favor of the widow, who the day after re-entered the state of matrimony. Thus the husband's little plan for preventing his widow marrying again failed.

But the most curious will which the writer has ever come across is that of M. Zalesky, a Polish landlord, who died in 1889, leaving property valued at 100,000 rubles. His will was inclosed in an envelope bearing the words, "To Be Opened After My Death." Inside this was another envelope, "To Be Opened Six Weeks After My Death." When this time had passed, the second envelope was opened and a third uncovered, "To Be Opened One Year After My Death." At the end of the year a fourth envelope was discovered, to be opened two years after the testator's death, and so the game went on until 1894, when the actual will was discovered and read. It was quite as eccentric in its dispositions as the directions attached to its opening. The testator bequeathed half his fortune to such of his heirs as had the largest number of children. The rest of the property was to be placed in a bank and a hundred years after his death to be divided, with the accumulated interest, among the will maker's descendants. Thus by 1989, at 5 per cent compound interest, the 50,000 rubles will have swelled into 6,000,000 rubles. But what will this be among so many descendants?—Household Words.

Hardly.

Miss D.—Angelina, why don't you marry Lieutenant Y.?

Miss A.—First, because he has no brains—and he can't ride, dance or play tennis. What could we do with him?

"But he swims beautifully."

"Oh, yes; but one can't keep one's husband in an aquarium, you know."—London Tit-Bits.

The Poor Wife.

"John Henry, it isn't any good, I know, that keeps you down town so late, when you ought to be at home with me and the children."

(Shrugging his shoulders.) "'Honi soit qui mal y pense,' my dear."

"That's right! Swear at your wife in Latin."—Chicago Tribune.

No Complaints.

Horse Dealer—Well, John, how about that horse I sold you? Was he quiet enough?

Undertaker—Well, sir, he did give us a little trouble at first. We put him in one of the mourning coaches, you know, and parties don't like to be shook up in their grief, but we've put him in the hearse now, and we haven't heard any complaint so far.—Household Words.

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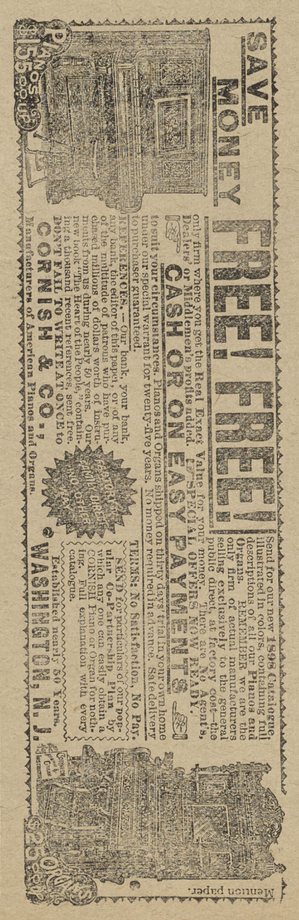

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Rev. Charles D. Milliken, Minister. Services: Sunday at 11 a. m and 7.30 p. m. Sunday School 10 a. m., Mr. Charles Potter, Supt., Y. P. S. C. E service 6:30 p. m.

Prayer Meeting, Wednesdays 2:30 p. m. Junior Endeavor Society Meeting, Friday 3:15 p. m.

Ladie's Aid Society, 2nd Thursday of each month.

Missionary Society, 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev E. E. Thompson, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 11 a. m. and 7:15, p. m. Sabbath School at 10 a. m. Prayer Meeting on Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. Young People's Society of Epworth League at 6:30 p. m. on Sunday

LODGE NOTICES.

A. O. U. W.

PUEBLO LODGE No. 168, meets every first and fourth Tuesday evening of each month at Odd Fellows' Hall.

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TEMPLE LODGE No. 14, meets in the Masonic Hall on the Tuesday evening on or before the full moon in each month.

I. O. O. F.

SONOMA LODGE No. 28, meets at Odd Fellows' Hall every Saturday evening at 7:30 p. m.

REBEKAH DEGREE LODGE No. 99, meets in Odd Fellows' Hall, on the second and fourth Thursday of each month.

O. E. S.

VALLEY OF THE MOON CHAPTER No. 85, meets in Masonic Hall on the Thursday evening on or preceding the full moon of each month.

O. C. F.

SONOMA VINEYARD COUNCIL, No. 162, meets the first and third Friday of each month in Odd Fellows' Hall.

N. S. G. W.

SONOMA PARLOR, No. 111, meets every Monday evening at Odd Fellows' Hall.

Y. M. I.

No. 45 meets the first and third Wednesday of each month in Odd Fellows' Hall.

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TO THE FATHER OF BOYS.

A Few Words of Advice Which Our Parents Should Heed.

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Week days	Sundays	Destination	Sundays	Week days
6.18 a. m.	8.10 a. m.	San Francisco, San	10.25 a.m.	10.30 a. m.
2.45 p. m.	3.37 p. m.	Rafael intermediates	7.15 p.m.	7.20 p. m.
10.30 a. m.	10.25 a. m.	Glen Ellen and	8.10 a.m.	6.18 a. m.
7.20 p. m.	7.15 p. m.	intermediates	3.37 p.m.	2.45 p. m.
6.18 a. m.	8.10 a. m.	Petaluma, SantaRosa	10.25 a.m.	10.30 a. m.
2.45 p. m.	3.37 p. m.	and intermediates.	7.15 p.m.	7.20 p. m.
6.18 a. m.	8 10 a. m.	Cloverdale, Healds-	.....	10.30 a. m.
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2:45 a. m	3.37 p. m.	intermediates.	7.15 p.m.	7.20 p. m.
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NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Happenings of the Past Week in the Pioneer City.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Subscribe for the NEWS.

J. P. and Frank Weems were in Santa Rosa Tuesday attending court.

Wm. Clewe was in the city buying Christmas goods the first of the week.

Merchant James Ruffner, spent several days in San Francisco this week.

A. Schweickhart, our genial baker, spent Wednesday in San Francisco.

Don't forget the entertainment at Union Hall tonight and Saturday evening.

Deputy Sheriff Harry Weise of Santa Rosa was in Sonoma Thursday on official business.

Frank Weaver is at work again in the blacksmith shop after an illness of about four weeks.

Clarke Gaines returned on Monday evening's train from a trip to San Jose and San Francisco.

Jack Frost made himself known at a number of places the first of the week by bursting water pipes.

Some of the members of the congregational church are trying to organize a male choir for their church.

Prof. Alexander McMeans, of SantaRosa was in town Thursday guest of his nephew Prof. Vernon Goodwin.

S. H. Shaw has purchased a lot on Broadway of Mrs. Martin and is digging a well preparatory to building a house.

Ex-supervisor Benj. Clark is reported as being very sick. Mr. Clark is one of the old time settlers of Sonoma county.

The extention of First street east was graveled this week. The trustees let the work by day labor as they get better results than by contract.

Mrs. Minick, of Kenwood, died at her home in that place last Saturday morning from natural causes and was buried in the Valley cemetery Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Carrie Burlingame, nee Carrie Appleton is visiting her parents here. Mrs. Burlingame came down Tuesday from Soda Bay where her husband runs a resort.

Alice M. Armstrong is up from the city visiting the McGimsey family. She will take several prominent parts in the entertainments tonight and tomorrow night.

Bids are advertised for letting the contract for ceiling two rooms in the High School building. The bids are to be opened Dec. 21, and the work is to be completed on or before Jan. 2d, 1899.

Romie Mespli died at his home near Vineyard Station Monday morning after a lingering illness with consumption. He was twenty years of age and a native of France. He lived at his late home about three years. The remains were shipped to San Francisco for interment.

Manager William Weigand and Physician Louis Dechmann of the Marienbad sanitarium for science of natural healing were in town from Glen Ellen Saturday. This is the only institution of its kind in California and will undoubtedly prove a boon to all who will go there and take the perscribed treatment.

County Surveyor Ricksecker has completed the survey of a new road through the property of Henry Barnes and Rosa B. McNiel connecting the Bennett valley and Petaluma roads. The survey was made on the petition of J. H. Overton and others. The viewers will make their report at the next session of the board of Supervisors.

Saturday and Sunday nights were record breakers for cold weather throughout this portion of the state. The Mercury at Sonoma registered Sunday morning 24 degrees above zero and Monday morning two degrees lower, while at Santa Rosa Saturday night the mercury was down to 23 and Sunday night it was down to 22 above zero. At Sebastopol Saturday night's record was 20 and Sunday night 18 degrees above zero.

The arrangements for the annual session of the State Teachers' Association, and institute of the Sonoma county Teachers are about completed. The county institute will convene at 11 o'clock Monday morning Dec. 26th, in the auditorium of the Methodist Episcopal church South, in Santa Rosa. Superintendent Nielsen will open the session and his address on that occasion will be largely devoted to "University extension." On the afternoon of Monday the 26th the members of the county institute will attend in a body the Council of Education. Throughout the week there will be a special County Institute program, non-conflicting, as far as possible, with that of the association.

Christmas Entertainments.

The Christmas entertainment of the Congregational Sunday School will be held next Thursday evening. After the program, which is is be rendered principally by the younger members of the school, Old Santa will arrive with his pack well laden with toys and sweets. He is to appear from a chimney which will be suitably arranged and decorated for the occasion.

The Sunday School entertainment of the Methodist church will be held in the church building on Christmas eve. The program of the evening is to be carried out by the children of the school. At the conclusion the Brownies will appear in costume and distribute the gifts which will be arranged on an arch erected for the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geering went to the city Thursday.

Christmas trees by the thousand at Weems Cash Store.

G. H. Hotz was in San Francisco with his two boys Thursday enlarging his stock of Christmas goods.

A goodly number attended the Union meeting of the Christian Endeavor and Epworth League at the Methodist church last Sunday evening.

The Union of Epworth Leagues and Christian Endeavors at Santa Rosa are working to secure the State convention of Epworth Leagues.

S. S. Dyer, who recently arrived here from the southern part of the state, has been quite ill the past three weeks but at last account was improving.

T. J. Dunn, deputy internal revenue collector of this district went to Marin county this week to investigate concerning an illegal still that is said to be in operation in that county.

Try our Cream of Maze mush, cheap and delicious. Weems Cash Store.

Miss Schiller who conducts the dancing school at Union Hall expects to give a social dance at the hall some time during New Years week. An admission of 25 cents will be charged.

Dolls, doll carriages, doll cradles, picture and building blocks, books and all kinds of toys at G. H. Hotz's.

The Post School at the Presidio is opened and holds a two hours session every afternoon at which each soldier not assigned to duty must attend. The plan on which the school is conducted is similar to that of the grammar school system and will be a great benefit to many as the boys may improve their education while working for Uncle Sam.

Weems' Cash Store is still giving 10 bars of soap for 25 cents. If it does not give entire satisfaction we will give your money back.

Albert J. J. Williams, well known throughout this portion of the state, having been raised in this valley, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. Harry Weise, in Santa Rosa, last Friday morning of consumption. Albert was a farmer by occupation and run the old home place known as the Williams ranch one mile east of Glen Ellen. He was the son of the late Joseph Williams of Glen Ellen, and was thirty six years of age and unmarried, leaving his sister the only surviving member of the family to mourn his loss. The funeral services took place from the Catholic church of Sonoma Sunday afternoon. The remains were interred in the family lot at the Mountain cemetery.

Household Gods.

The ancient Greeks believed that the Penates were the gods who attended to the welfare and prosperity of the family. They were worshipped as household gods in every home. The household god of today is Dr. King's New Discovery. For consumption, coughs, colds and for all affections of throat chest and lungs it is invaluable. It has been tried for a quarter of a century and is guaranteed to cure or money returned. No household should be without this good angel. It is pleasant to take and a safe and sure remedy for old and young. Trial bottles free at Ed. Wegner's Drug Store.

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It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. The medicine is purely vegetable acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys and aids these organs in throwing off the impurities of the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c. and $1.00 at Ed. Wegner's Drug Stre.

TOWN HAPPENINGS.

Principal Events, Past and Coming.

At this time of the year nearly every one is looking forward to the Christmas holidays and enjoyable times they expect to have during this time, and as it is a part of our business to inform our readers of all the principal events of the season and where to go to be the best entertained, we give below some of the most prominent places of interest.

POPPE'S HALL ENGAGED FOR THE SEASON.

The old Poppe hall is now open as a bazaar and all attending will be well paid for their time as it is neatly decorated for the occasion, and has a fine stock of unique articles suitable for the youngest children and for the honorable old gray haired fathers and mothers as well as gifts suitable for those of intervening ages. No admission is charged, so all may attend and the price asked for the goods is quite reasonable.

DISAPPEARED IN THE WIND.

While the north winds were blowing so severely last week, one of our merchants disappeared from the street and was lost from its view until after he had found the end of a long bill of xmas goods which he was carefully checking and had each article marked with his retail price, and now Mr. Clewe has the largest stock of jewelry, furniture and toys yet displayed in this valley.

A HOLD UP.

About eight o'clock last Saturday evening while on our way to the post-office we were held up on Napa Street just in front of G. H. Hotz's store. The voice commanding was strong and determined and not having on a bullet proof suit, nor a chance to let our feet save our head, we complied with the command and halted. The command had eminated from a little girl who wanted us to accompany her into Mr. Hotz's store to examine the well selected stock of christmas goods that was on display in that store, which consisted of dolls, doll buggies, wagons, cradles, and a general line of toys for children. He also has a fine line of articles suitable for gifts to persons of every age.

A FINE CHRISTMAS DINNER.

As we always look for an extra good dinner on Christmas day and as to prepare such dinner the cooks must have the best of culinary articles to use, we suggest that you give Weems cash store a call as they keep a well chosen stock of such articles as are needed for the preparation of fine meals. If you intend to have a complete dinner on this day of all days you will need meat of some kind, so call on Weyl, the butcher, who has all kinds of meat as well as fowls that are strictly in touch with the season. And should you be very hungry, or the meal so unusually good as to cause you to indulge too freely and make yourself sick or uncomfortable call on our popular druggist, Ed. Wegner, and he will be able to give you something that will relieve you and assist the digestive organs.

The young man who has the fortune to have a young lady friend should celebrate by taking her for an afternoon's drive. Thus the day might be made the most pleasant of all the season, as Granville Harris, proprietor of the Union Livery Stables can give you one of the finest turnouts in the valley at very moderate cost.

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Congregational Church, Sunday Dec. 18, Services at 11 a. m. subject "Secret Discipline." Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 7.30 p. m. All are cordially invited.

CHAS. D. MILLIKEN, Pastor.

Services at the M. E. church, Sunday Dec. 18th, at 11 a. m., subject "God's Blessing and Curse." "Christ's Perfectisn; Man's Imperfection." The Walker sisters of Oakland will render special music on the violin and organ both morning and evening. The church next Sunday at all services will be comfortably warmed. The public always invited and welcome.

E. E. THOMPSON, Pastor.

COMING!

DON'T FOR GET THE DATE!

Friday and Saturday Evenings, December 16th and 17th,

This is the last press announcement we can give of the entertainments to be given by the Epworth League.

The program will be rendered rain or shine. If it should be raining rejoice in the fact, come to the entertainment and thus express your gratitude by helping a good cause. If it is fair weather we shall hope to see all lovers of good music and speaking and those who enjoy a social evening with refreshments.

Following is a cast of characters and parts in a skeleton form.

The Struggle.....Qua Vidas
Mrs. E. E. Thompson.
Select Solo.....
Prof. Weed.
Recitation.....How Ruby Played
Lyda D. Jacob, San Francisco.
Vocal Solo.....
Mrs. J. P. Weems
Living Pictures.....Old Time Gossip
.....Success of a Long Argument
.....One of Dante's Family
Vocal solo.....
Alice M. Armstrong. San Francisco.
Recitation.....A Minister's Grievance
Lydia D. Jacob.
Vocal Solo.....
Alice M. Armstrong.
Violin Solo....Hommage A' L'Anitio Ch. Daucla
Miss Blanche L. Walker, Oakland.
Instrumental Duet.....
Walker Sisters.
Violin Solo.....Mazurka de. Concert
Miss Blache L. Walker.
Piano Solo.....Balero Ravina
Miss Mabel Walker

Members of the league, J. P. Weems, Steve. Akers, Ira Hull and others will appear in the living pictures. Miss Susie Shaw will appear as one of the accompanists. The above are the positive promises for help in the entertainments, while the partial promises to be added are Dr. Perkins, of Petaluma, Mrs. Hurd, of San Francisco, and Miss Harrison, of Alameda.

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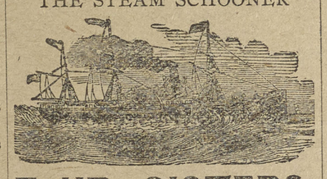

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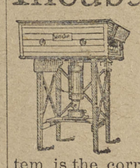

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"Where did you put it when you came in?" is a question sure to be asked sooner or later, but all the boy can answer is:

"I don't know."

And then the search goes on everywhere, over and under, in all sorts of places, all at a great loss of time, if not of temper. It is found at last, as most things are in time, and in some simple, easy place, which makes the finding of it all the more exasperating.

The boy takes it and goes out to play and straightway forgets all about it; but it may take quite a little time to restore the normal calm in the house.

It is a mystery how the boy manages to lose his cap as often as he does, but it appears to be a boy's way, and common to almost all.—New York Sun.

English Suburban Homes.

In the United States you are far ahead of England in respect to new suburban homes. Whatever may be the faults of the imitations of Richardson—America's greatest architect—or even of the queer gabled and verandaed villas which for some inscrutable reason are named after the good Queen Anne, there is something picturesque about most of these buildings—if it is only the usually good sky line. But the modern suburban homes in England are monotonously ugly. As a rule they are run up in rows by some speculative builder who is his own architect.—Montague Marks in Art Amateur.

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AN ADVENTURE : : : : : : : IN THE ROCKIES.

IN September, 1870, a small party of us went up from Georgetown, Colo., to enjoy a few weeks' hunting and fishing in Middle Park.

As cooks, camp-keepers and general utility men we had old Joe Bruette, a French-Canadian exvoyageur, and his grown son, Peter, both thoroughly efficient, pleasant fellows, and so warmly attached to each other that nothing less than inexorable necessity could keep them apart for twenty-four hours; nor would either of them ever engage with a party of tourists or sportsmen unless the other could go along, even if both had to work for one man's pay.

After spending a day or two at Hot Sulphur Springs, we moved our camp down to Williams River, almost under the shadow of Williams River Mountains, where fish and game were at that time plentiful.

The trout, however, did not take kindly to our artificial flies, so, early one morning, while his son was doing the camp chores, Joe, taking a couple of empty pickle bottles along, went out toward the foothills to gather grasshoppers for bait.

He had no more than half a mile to go, and as the night-chilled insects would be easily caught we expected him to return within an hour. But he did not come, nor had he done so when Peter, already, as we thought, absurdly anxious, announced breakfast.

About forty-five minutes after Joe left we had heard several rifle or pistol shots echoing among the foothills, but such sounds were so common that at the moment we paid no attention to them. While we were at breakfast one of us, calling these reports to mind, carelessly asked Peter if his father had taken his revolver along.

"Why, yes, for sure; he never goes anywhere without that," replied the young man, "but I'm afraid he's got into some trouble this time, or he'd been back long ago. Maybe, though, he's wounded an elk and has followed it into the mountains."

After waiting another half hour in the vain hope of his father's return, Peter became so distressed that, at his earnest request, Dr. Lewis, Fred Reid and I agreed to accompany him on a search for the missing man.

Arming ourselves with rifles and revolvers, we set out at once and, on coming to a particularly green stretch of grass at the base of the foothills, found the two pickle bottles, both duly corked and full of grasshoppers, but no sign whatever of Joe.

Then we three began to circle around, looking, but quite uselessly, over the matted grass for footprints, while Peter struck out for a grove of young cottonwoods, bounding one side of the meadow. He had not been gone five minutes when from out the thickest depths rang a horrified shriek, followed by a frenzied cry of:

"Here, men, here! Hurry! Oh, for Heaven's sake, hurry!"

Dashing like madmen across the little plain, we reached the distressed youth in a few moments, and then saw a fearful sight, indeed. In the midst of a patch of trampled, blood-stained bushes lay the seemingly lifeless form of poor Joe. The scalp was stripped from the front part of his head and hung down over his eyes. His left shoulder was frightfully lacerated, and the arm on that side badly mangled, and broken in two places; the clothing was torn from the upper part of his body, and on his naked breast gaped four ragged furrows, evidently ploughed by a single stroke from the claws of some giant wild beast. Whatever the enemy, it was obvious that the old hunter had made a desperate fight, for all the chambers of his revolver were empty, and his knife encrusted with gore, while the underbrush around was beaten flat and the ground trodden into blood-moistened dust.

Peter, dry-eyed, but piteously moaning, was lying by the senseless body, tenderly clasping it in his arms, and on seeing us, exclaimed: "My poor father has been killed by a grizzly bear; and, so help me Heaven; I'll never taste food till I've destroyed the brute. Life is no use to me now."

"Why, Pete, my boy," said Dr. Lewis, who had knelt by the old man's side and was holding a pocket flask of brandy to his lips, "your father is not dead. He'll regain consciousness directly. Meantime, you run to the camp for my instrument case and tell our friends there to hurry along with the spring wagon, a few blankets and such other articles as they know will be necessary."

Actually hugging the doctor in his joyous revulsion of feeling, and softly kissing his father's unhurt hand, Peter sprang to his feet and was off like a shot. Going and returning, he must cover nearly a mile, but in less than ten minutes he was back again with the little box of surgical instruments and some clean clothing for the wounded man, now sitting up and in full possession of his senses. On seeing this, the affectionate son dropped to his knees in an ecstasy of thanksgiving and fairly wept aloud for joy.

Two minutes later the wagon thundered up to the edge of the grove with our comrades, who had thoughtfully brought splints, sponges, bandages and, most needful of all, two covered buckets full of warm water.

Then, assisted by his pupil, Fred Reid, the doctor cleansed and stitched in place the pendant scalp, dressed the breast and shoulder wounds, set and bound up the broken arm and made his patient as comfortable as possible. But the tough old fellow would not ride back to camp. Accompanied by Dr. Lewis and Reid, he actually walked, coolly telling the wagon men to be sure, when ready to return, not to forget the grasshoppers! And I may as well say right here that in less than two months he was sound as ever, though around the edges of the replaced scalp appeared a semi-circular streak of snow-white hair.

It seems that on going for some purpose into the grove he almost tumbled over, not a grizzly, but an enormous cinnamon bear, at which he rashly fired. Then ensued a terrific fight, ending in apparent victory for the savage brute, which, though wounded by six revolver bullets and a number of knife thrusts, somehow managed to get away, only, however, to die; for as soon as Joe had left for camp, Peter, Tom Cooper and I took up the blood-stained trail and found the monster's carcass before we had gone a mile.

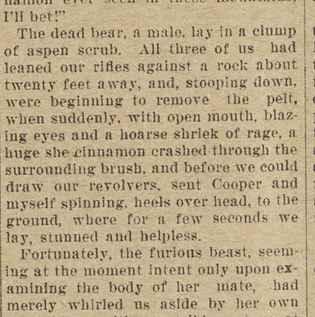
"Ha! ha!" jubilantly shouted Pete, "my brave old father won the fight, after all, and he's killed the biggest cinnamon ever seen in these mountains, I'll bet!"

The dead bear, a male, lay in a clump of aspen scrub. All three of us had leaned our rifles against a rock about twenty feet away, and, stooping down, were beginning to remove the pelt, when suddenly, with open mouth, blazing eyes and a hoarse shriek of rage, a huge she cinnamon crashed through the surrounding brush, and before we could draw our revolvers, sent Cooper and myself spinning, heels over head, to the ground, where for a few seconds we lay, stunned and helpless.

Fortunately, the furious beast, seeming at the moment intent only upon examining the body of her mate, had merely whirled us aside by her own momentum without striking at us at all, and neither of us was seriously hurt. But the instant she found that her consort was really dead, and while we still lay dazed, she turned upon us for vengeance.

So great had been the force of the creature's first rush against and between us that we were hurled fully fifteen feet away, but, luckily, within five feet of the stacked arms. Yet this fact would not have saved us from being slain as we lay had not Peter, who never, under any circumstances, got rattled, bounded forward at the first glimpse of the bear and secured his gun—and not the fraction of a second too soon.

Too confused and dizzy to even recollect that we had revolvers, we were vainly trying to rise. The old she, frothing at the mouth with fury, was within three feet of our temporarily paralyzed bodies. Next moment those terrible paws would have crushed our skulls like egg shells, or those gleaming teeth have been buried in our throats—but something happened! In order, I suppose, to more effectually exert her



"YOUR FATHER IS NOT DEAD."

prodigious strength, the maddened beast reared partially up; Peter, now standing behind us with his great buffalo rifle leveled, was coolly waiting for this foreseen move. The bear's mouth was wide open, and he fired into it pointblank. The one and a half ounce pointed bullet, driven by six drachms of powder, tore its way through neck and spinal cord, coming out at the back of the creature's head, and she dropped dead as suddenly as if struck by a lightning bolt.

In a few minutes Tom and I were all right again, and by noon both bears were properly skinned, but the hides were so heavy that it was no easy task to carry them back to where the wagon still waited.

On arriving in camp with our trophies old Joe went nearly wild with joy, and I rather think that he and his gallant boy found this the most profitable trip they had ever undertaken.—New York Ledger.

Entertaining an Angel Unawares.

A newsboy took the Sixth avenue elevated at Park place at noon, says the New York World, and, sliding into one of the cross seats, fell asleep. At Grand street two young women got on and took the seats opposite the lad. His feet were bare and his hat had fallen off. Presently the younger girl leaned over and placed her muff under the little fellow's dirty cheek. An old gentleman in the next seat smiled at the act, and without saying anything held out a quarter with a nod toward the boy. The girl hesitated a moment and then reached for it. The next man just as silently offered a dime, a woman across the aisle held out some pennies, and before she knew it the girl with flaming cheeks had taken money from every passenger in that end of the car. She quietly slid the amount into the sleeping lad's pocket, removed her muff gently from under his head without rousing him, and got off at Twenty-third street, including all the passengers in a pretty little inclination of the head that seemed full of thanks and the possession of a common secret.

It is unfortunate that such sensible accomplishments as bread making, sewing, etc., are not given the publicity in society that is given dancing and piano playing.

When it comes to believing that there is any heat in a grate fire, every woman is a Christian scientist.

A Wonderful Floating Snail.

There is a small snail which is so fond of the sea that it never comes to land and it builds such a capital boat for itself and its eggs that while large ships are sinking and steamers are unable to face the storm it tosses about in perfect safety.

The little snail is of a violet color and is therefore called ianthina. It has a small shell and there projects from the under part of the body a long, tongnelike piece of flesh. This is the raft, and it is built upon most scientific principles, for it has compartments in it for air. It is broad and the air compartments are underneath, so that it cannot capsize.

Moreover, the snail knows how to stow away its cargo, for the oldest eggs and those which hatch the soonest are placed in the center, and the lightest and newest on the sides of the raft. The ianthina fills its own air compartments by getting a globule of air underneath its head, the body is then curved downward beneath the raft, and the head being tilted on one side, the air rushes up and fills the spaces. It feeds on a beautiful little jellyfish, which has a flat, raftlike form with a pretty little sail upon it, and they congregate in multitudes when the sea is calm.

Sometimes specimens are washed upon the northwestern coast of France and when they are handled they give out a violet dye.—Philadelphia Press.

Microbes In Milk.

It will be readily granted that the inspection of milk and its sources of supply is of even more importance from a public health point of view than the inspection of meat, since milk is so largely used as the food of infants.

Milk immediately it is taken from the healthy cow contains no microbes. Hardly has the milk settled in the pail than they abound, so many as 10,000 in one-quarter cubic inch having been detected. The question which naturally presents itself is, "Where do they come from?" From the soiled teats, from the soiled hands of the workers, from the atmosphere of the milking shed and from the pails themselves. They possess the property of propagating very rapidly

M. de Freudenrich of the Berne laboratory asserts that milk just drawn containing in one-quarter cubic inch 9,000 microbes seven hours later was found to contain 60,000. After a period of 25 hours had elapsed 5,000,000 microbes were present in the same quantity of milk, and if the temperature be raised to 95 degrees F. the microbic population of the same milk during the same time would reach the enormous total of 812,500,000.

Children appear particularly prone to contract consumption through the agency of milk containing tubercle bacilli.—Chambers' Journal.

How We Walk.

In The Literary Digest appears a translation of a review of "Comment on Marche" ("How We Walk"), the latest book on the subject by Messrs. Regnault and Raoul. In this work it is claimed that we have been wrongly educated in walking and that the erect posture and firm step that we have been led to believe were evidences of health and strength are conventional and vicious.

M. Marey, who wrote the introduction to the volume, says that there is a style of walking that enables one, without excessive fatigue, to go distances of from 20 to 25 miles in a third of the time usually required. This may be accomplished by walking with the knees bent and the body inclined forward, a method which has been observed in professional pedestrians, mountaineers, peasants, hunters and soldiers fatigued by long marches. In not adopting this method, it is claimed that, as with all the other acts of life, we remain slaves of conventional æsthetics.

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Is is told in the book of the Great Gazelle that the toad once upon a time was good to see, but the vain lady toads began to use complexion washes with the usual result.

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Rosebery's Definition of Memory.

Here is a joli mot of Lord Rosebery's—would one ever expect mots from Lord Rosebery?—told in our garden by a woman who heard him say it at a dinner. Some one asked him what memory was. "Memory," said Lord Rosebery, "is the feeling that steals over us when we listen to our friends' original stories."—Harper's Bazar.

Good Influences.—Good suggestions and influences do not drive or force us; they only lead.—Dr. Pratt, Swedenborgian, San Francisco, Cal.

Man.—Man has power over the laws of the universe, and can and does oftentimes bend them to his will.—Rev. R. F. Coyle, Presbyterian, Detroit, Mich.

God's Work.—In the great church of God there is somewhere a work for every honest man.—Rev. Wm. J. Long, Congregationalist, North Cambridge, Mass.

Rest.—The rest God speaks of is not the alternative of something else, but the quality which marks the highest attainment of the human soul.—Dr. Storrs, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Fatherhood of God.—Some people say that the fatherhood of God is all the theology they want. With one exception, I am inclined to accept that view.—Dr. Abbott, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

God's Question.—When God asks a question he pronounces a judgment. His question searches us through and through. His question carries its own answer.—Rev. D. Gregg, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A New Epoch.—There is a class of people who have outgrown the church and who find the satisfaction that they require in literature, science and many other new theories of life.—Rev. Thos. Van Ness, Unitarian, Boston, Mass.

The Idea of God.—The idea of God holds a very large place in human life. It matters not how we got this idea. We have it and live in it. The idea emerges whenever we get at the conception of truth.—Dr. Patton, Methodist, Princeton, N. J.

The Great Truth.—Among certain elements of faith which are fundamental we must emphasize the great truth that man is a spirit, the conviction that man is free and the fact of grace.—Rev. J. N. Beard, Methodist, San Francisco, Cal.

Honor and Happiness.—Honor and happiness are not dealt out in due proportion to men's just deserts. Many who are good and kind suffer the loss of fortune, reputation and everything that makes life worth living.—Rev. Dr. McElveen, Congregationalist, Brooklyn, New York.

The Happiest People.—It needs some one very often to show us how fortunate we are. The happiest people in the world are by no means those who have the most to be happy with, but those who are most aware of what they have, and who make the most of it.—Rev. W. H. Lyon, Congregationalist, Brookline, Mass.

The Invisible God.—As we are taught in the peaceful hours of childhood, so we are taught in the years of manhood. God is everywhere, yet God is invisible; and the angels of God, his ministering spirits, his viceroys, they, too, are spirits.—Rev. J. J. Prendergast, Roman Catholic, San Francisco, Cal.

America's Duty.—America owes a duty to Spain. She will utterly perish unless she learns self-reliance, and she will never learn this until her colonies are taken from her. For this reason the United States should entirely separate the mother country from her colonies for the advantage of both.—Rev. C. C. Earle, Baptist, Boston, Mass.

Our Flag.—Our flag is a symbol of light, the banner of dawn. The poor slave, the downtrodden creatures of a foreign despotism, the starving victims of a barbarous oppression, find light and freedom beneath it. In all these years it never lost a star. God bless the soldier who goes with it.—Rev. W. H. Moreland, Episcopalian, San Francisco, Cal.

Repentance.—If there is to be a genuine repentance, there must be somebody to repent to, as well as something to repent from. In John the Baptist's preaching the emphasis laid on the heinousness of sin was strong, but the emphasis on the loveliness of Christ was stronger. His denunciation of sin was terrible, but his adoration of Jesus knew no bounds.—Rev. J. A. Francis, Baptist, New York City.

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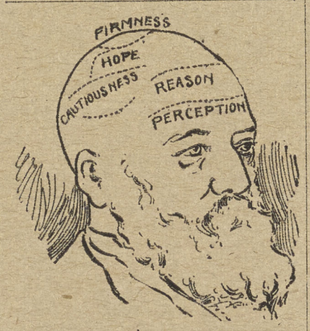
This is the head of Lord Salisbury, British premier. Self-esteem, cautiousness, imagination, perception and rea-



THE STATESMAN'S CHARACTERISTICS.

son are strongly marked. Hope and personal ambition are small. He has firmness and a wide horizon. His qualities as indicated by his head are, indeed, the same as displayed in his career.

Hot Baths.

A hot bath is usually decried as provocative of colds and other evils. Every one knows of cases of severe illness occurring from exposure to the outer air after such ablutions. And yet nothing is more refreshing, as nothing is more harmless, if properly taken. The reason is that one should use the hot bath as one does that of very cold water, merely as a plunge, followed by quick and thorough rubbing and massage.

Lodging house clerk—Bed with bath, 15 cents. Weary Watkins—I guess I'd rather pay a little more an' not take the bath.—Indianapolis Journal.

A girl is fickle when she is eighteen, but after she is twenty-eight, she finds it is the men who are fickle.

Those Black Eyes.

"The small son of the people," says the Philadelphia Record, "and his little sister were inside the great West Philadelphia church for the first time. 'Um—m—my! but it's a beaut place,' he whispered. 'I bet people wot belong here comes every time dey can.' Her breath came to her in little gasps. Her soiled little finger pressed on his with thrilled intensity. Her eyes feasted on the splendid chancel. 'Heaven mus' be nex' door,' she said. They hardly moved throughout the service, and never once let go each other's hands, for it was as a strange land. At last the sweet voiced procession of choir boys came down the aisle. At its head was a slim young seraph, with a face as fair and pure as the linen he wore. Faint, dark circles beneath his eyes completed the ethereal effect.

"'Is dem angels?' the little girl began, but stopped short, surprised at the look on her brother's face.

"'Dat kid in front's Bill Griggs, wot I licked last week fer swipin' t'ings from ole Mrs. Maguire's apple stand. He ain't got over dem black eyes I gev 'im yet. Come on, let's git out.' His face was stern and set as they went. She furtively wiped a tear."

Field and the Street Arabs.

McClure's Magazine relates the following anecdote of Eugene Field, whose fondness for children was his dominant trait:

Never was a man more devoted to his wife. Nevertheless on the day that made her his he was guilty of keeping her waiting for him at the church. The bridal party had assembled and were rapidly becoming uneasy. At length, after an anxious delay, some one went out in search of the missing bridegroom.

He was found on the street a short distance away, down on his knees in the mud, absorbed in settling a dispute between two small street arabs, which had arisen over a game of marbles. Listening with eager interest to the testimony vociferated at either ear by the belligerent parties and their friends and trying to evolve a peace compromise out of a very lively quarrel, he was abruptly reminded that just then he had something more important to attend to, and hastened penitently away to make his anxious bride Mrs. Field.

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In one of Carlyle's private letters sold in London recently he says: "Oliver Cromwell had no squint, stare or deficiency of any kind in the eyes of him. One eye, probably the left—but I am not sure—was considerably bigger than the other."

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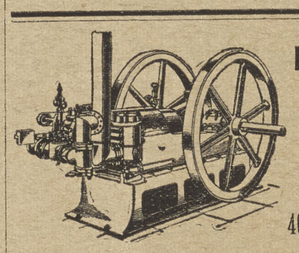

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